

North Carolina Yam Festival Pageant

“Have a Yam Good Time”

October 19th, 2019

Entry Fee:

\$110 per contestant

Application Deadline:

Divisions:

BABY MISS: 0-12 months

JUNIOR MISS: 9-11 years

MINI MISS: 13-23 months

YOUNG MISS: 12-14 years

TINY MISS: 2-3 years

TEEN MISS: 15-17 years

PETITE MISS: 4-5 years

QUEEN MISS: 18-23 years

LITTLE MISS: 6-8 years

MRS.: 24+, MARRIED ONLY

RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

- **BIRTHDATE:** The contestants age the date of the pageant determines the division.
- **CONTESTANT CONTRACT:** Each contestant and parent will be REQUIRED to sign a morality contract before competing. Contracts will be available at registration and rehearsal. Winning Teen and Queen contestants will be required to sign an additional contract agreement following coronation.
- **Residency:** NC Yam Festival Pageant is Open to residents of North and South Carolina
- **Grace Period:** Title holders **will not** be allowed to compete in another pageant while still holding the NC Yam Festival title without relinquishing their Title until 60 days prior to the following years pageant in October.

- **Required Areas of Competition:**

Baby Miss- Little: Casual Wear (40%) & Beauty (60%)

Junior-Queen: Interview (40%), Talent (30%) & Beauty (30%)

Mrs.: Interview (40%), Casual Wear (30%) & Beauty (30%)

Opening Number--All Contestants are required to participate in opening number. It is NOT judged but is the contestants first appearance in front of the judges. All contestants must wear the NC Yam Festival T-Shirt, blue jeans and shoes. No flip flops or bare feet. T-shirts may be

purchased at the Tabor City Library or registration. Additional embellishments are allowed but not required!

- **Optional Areas of Competition:** Photogenic- \$10.00 Open to all Contestants. 8x10 Photo must be submitted the night of rehearsal. Additional photos can be judged for \$10.00 per photo. Photos may be in Color or Black & White. NO HIGH GLITZ! Photos may be touched up. Two Photogenic Awards will be given-- Baby to Little, Young to Mrs.
- **Note:** NO fake hair, no fake teeth, no excessive makeup etc. The judges will be notified of the rules and will deduct accordingly to their personal judgment.
- **Scoresheets:** Scoresheets will be released to contestants following the pageant to allow contestants to make enhancements according to the judge's notes. This is not for comparison or up for discussion with Director or Judges. All Scores are final. If this becomes an issue, we will discontinue score sheet distribution at the director's discretion.

Areas of Competition Information:

- **Beauty:**
 - Baby to Little-** Sunday Dress attire with matching socks and shoes.
limited rhinestones and bling (if you have any questions please ask)
 - Junior to Mrs.-** Floor length pageant dress. Can be Glitzy. Age appropriate.
Make sure all dresses fit and compliment the contestant
- **Casual Wear:**
 - Baby to Little & Mrs. only:** Age appropriate, dressy, neat and stylish. No mid drifts. Can be custom or off the rack. Be creative and show off the contestant's personality. Yam or Fall Themed/Colors. (NO Halloween)
- **Interview:**
 - Junior to Mrs. only:** Contestants will individually meet with the judges for 5 minutes. Sunday Dress attire.
- **Talent:**
 - Junior to Queen only:** Only CDs are allowed; all music must be cued and only one song allowed on the CD. Talent **CANNOT** exceed 4 minutes. CD's must be marked with Contestant Name, Division and Contestant number. CD's **MUST BE** turned in the night of rehearsal to allow the sound crew to check and prepare for the pageant. Please have a backup CD for rehearsal and the night of the pageant.

Awards:

- **Division Winners:** Each division winner will receive a rhinestone round crown, embroidered satin sash, trophy and gift.

Baby-Little will receive a complimentary participation tiara

- **Overall Beauty:** Baby to Little, Junior to Mrs.- winner will receive a trophy.
- **Overall Interview:** Junior to Mrs.- winner will receive a trophy.
- **Optional Photogenic:** Two trophies will be given. Baby to Little, Junior to Mrs.
- **Ambassador Title:** One Queen from each break down (Baby-Little/Junior-Mrs.) from the previous reign will be Crowned Ambassador. Scrap book, Events attended, and positive representation of the Yam Festival will be considered by the director to select Ambassador Title for the following year.
- **Scrapbook Award:** Given to reigning queens for the most creative scrapbook.
- **Scholarship:** ONLY Teen and Queen- Teen Miss: \$500, Queen: \$1,000. Scholarship will be received in the form of a check once the year reign has been completed as long as all required events were attended, no other entry in pageants without director's permission and conduct has exemplified requirements set by the NC Yam Festival Pageant.

Court Requirements and information:

NC Yam Festival Royalty will NOT have an all-expense paid reign. The Queens will be responsible for Cars, Parade Fees, Shirts, Car Signs, Clothing etc. The Yam Festival Committee will attempt to minimize costs whenever it is possible.

Required Events:

1.) NC Yam Festival Yam Auction Tuesday October 22, 2019 6:00pm

required for Teen, Queen, Mrs. only

2.) NC Yam Festival Taste of Tabor: Thursday October 24, 2019 6-10pm

Sunnyfield Equestrian Farm. Only the Courts ticket will be provided.

* required for Teen, Queen, Mrs. only*

3.) NC Yam Festival Parade: Line up 9:00 am, parade starts at 10:00 am Saturday October 26th, 2019

float provided-will wear Fall Themed Attire

4.) Tabor City Christmas Parade: line up at 5:00 pm Thursday

car needed

5.) NC Strawberry Festival Parade & Pageant: Saturday TBA May 2019

float provided

6.) Tabor City Firework Event at South Columbus- TBA July 2019

6.) NC Watermelon Festival Parade & Pageant: Saturday TBA July 2019

car needed

**If necessary, we will have meetings, however it is hard for everyone to get together. Therefore, a newsletter will be mailed out periodically to inform Court of upcoming events. Our Court Facebook page will also be available for more information. **

Additional Pageant Information

Pageant Rehearsal: Thursday, October 17th @6pm South Columbus High School

*Photogenic must be turned in.

*contestant numbers will be given out, no extras!

*programs will be distributed

*Schedule for interview will be given

*Contestant will receive 2 passes. May be used for parent, guardian, hair stylist. Pass is required to be backstage with contestants-no exceptions! *No boys or men allowed in dressing rooms*

*There will be a run through of the pageant to allow contestants to walk the stage layout

*Talent practice will be allowed if desired.

*Bring talent CDs and an extra for Sound check to make sure it will work with our sound system.

Pageant Day: *TENATIVE SCHEDULE*

Little Queens Pageant: *doors will open @ 11:00am

*pageant will begin at 1:00pm

times may change due to number of contestants

Queens Pageant:

*Interviews begin for Junior to Mrs. @ 3pm

*Pageant begins at 6:30 pm

*Admission \$10.00, program included

*Backstage side doors will be locked at all times! NO ENTRY or EXIT unless it is an emergency!

North Carolina Yam Festival Pageant Application:

Parents/Spouse Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

County: _____ Phone Number: _____

Hair Color: _____ Eye Color: _____

Favorite Food: _____ Favorite TV Show: _____

School Currently Attending: _____

Grade: _____

Most Admired Person and Why:

Interesting Facts about yourself:

Future Goals:

Why would you like to be the NC Yam Festival Queen?

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Optional Photogenic: \$10

Total:

The NC Yam Festival, The Town of Tabor City, NC Yam Festival Pageant, Directors, Staff and/or Committees are not responsible for injuries, losses, damages or accidents that may occur at the NC Yam Festival Pageant, or while traveling to and from events. I understand the Judges decisions are final. Any act of bad sportsmanship from contestants or family members will NOT be tolerated and will result in disqualification without refund. By affixing your signature to this contract you grant permission to the NC Yam Festival Pageant system the right to use any and all pictures taken prior to, during or after the event for advertising and/or marketing purposes and to allow said pictures to be posted on our website. In the event the photos are used, you will be notified. There will be a \$35.00 service charge for all returned checks. The NC Yam Festival Pageant reserves the right to refuse entry to anyone. All entries are non-refundable and are at the discretion of the director.

Signature of parent or contestant if legal:

Printed Name:

Date: